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In re Application of

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Application No. 09/846,703

WITHDRAWAL OF

Filed: April 30, 2001

HOLDING OF

For: A SLIDE DRIVE DEVICE FOR A PRESS

ABANDONMENT

A review of the above application reveals that a Final Rejection was mailed to the applicant on April 21, 2005. On October 20, 2005 applicant timely filed a Notice of Appeal and a 3-month extension of time. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) was filed on December 19, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on July 28, 2006.

In view of the timely filed Notice of Appeal and RCE noted above, the holding of abandonment was in error and is hereby withdrawn. The RCE will be processed and the application forwarded to the examiner for prompt consideration of the RCE.

Inquiries related to this decision may be directed to Supervisory Patent Examiner Richard Ridley at 571-272-6917.

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